

Improving the Quality of BNL's  *Water*

Water Mains to Be Flushed Week of August 21-25



- **WHAT?** BNL's fire hydrants will be flushed to clean on-site water mains and other water-distribution piping.
- **WHY?** By eliminating "rusty" water, flushing the water mains will help improve the quality of the water delivered to the consumer's tap.
- **WHEN AND WHERE?** Water mains will be flushed Monday through Friday, as follows:
 - **Monday, August 21:** Rutherford and Lawrence Drives, and south of Bldg. 490
 - **Tuesday, August 22:** Upton Road through the apartment area.
 - **Wednesday, August 23:** Cornell Avenue and its cross streets
 - **Thursday, August 24:** Brookhaven Avenue east to the Upton Forecast Office of the National Weather Service and west to Bldg. 51
 - **Friday, August 25:** Bell Avenue



FAUCET & FOUNTAIN NOTE: Before drinking or using water during and after hydrant flushing, run the water in the sink, shower, or fountain until the water runs clear. In some places, you may have to run the water for 5 to 10 minutes until the water runs clear.

LAUNDRY NOTE: To make sure that discolored water is not used for washing clothes, the laundries in the apartment area and Curie and Cavendish Houses will close at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, August 22. The laundries will reopen on Wednesday, August 23, at 10 a.m., at which time the washing machines will be ready for use with clean water.



- **WHO?** Water mains will be flushed by the staff of the Water Treatment Facility of the Plant Engineering Division.
- **HOW?** Fire hydrants and valves will be opened and closed systematically. The water will pick up enough speed to carry out deposits within the water mains and other supply piping. Hydrants will be flushed until the water runs clean.
- **MORE INFORMATION?** Contact Bill Chaloupka, Plant Engineering Division, voice pager 0552; or Marsha Belford, Community Relations Office, Ext. 5053.